

#### National Center on Tribal Early Childhood Development







# Fiscal On Demand Session 1: Introduction to Fiscal Management

## Session Objectives

- Enhance understanding of CCDF financial management definitions and practices
- Increase awareness of CCDF fiscal requirements and timelines



## CCDF Final Rule-Background

#### Goals:

- The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014 re-envisioned the CCDF program through two goals:
  - To support family selfsufficiency
  - To foster healthy child development

### **Major Provisions:**

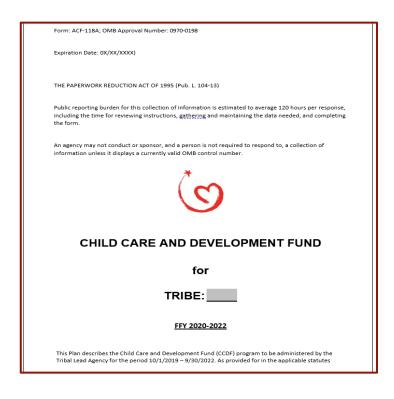
- Protect the health and safety of children in child care
- Help parents make informed consumer choices
- Enhance the quality of child care
- Provide equal access to stable child care for lowincome families

Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. §98.83 (2016). Source: Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Program, 81 Fed. Reg.67,438, 67,438–41(Sept. 30, 2016) (codified at 45 C.F.R. pt. 98)

## Application for CCDF Funds

## The Tribe's application for CCDF funds:

- Describes the Tribe's child care program and the services available to eligible families
- Provides information about the overall management of CCDF services
- Contains specific assurances and certifications



## **Tribal Child Count**

- The child count declaration certifies the number of Indian children under age 13 (up through age 12) who reside within the grantee's service area.
- The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) uses the child count to calculate CCDF grant award amounts.



## Tiered Approach to Tribal Lead Agency Requirements

Requirements for Tribal Lead Agencies are based on allocation size.

Tribes with small allocations

Less than \$250,000

Tribes with medium allocations

\$250,000 to \$1 million Tribes with large allocations

More than \$1 million

Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.80 (2016).

## **CCDF** Funding Sources

- AI/AN CCDF grants are composed of federal discretionary and mandatory funds.
- No tribal match is required to receive and use these funds.



Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.60 (2016).

## **CCDF** Funding Award

- Funds are awarded on a Notice of Award letter.
- By accepting the grant award, Tribal Lead
   Agencies agree to comply with the terms and conditions.
- CCDF funds are available to Tribal Lead Agencies each year after October 1 (the beginning of the federal fiscal year).

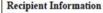


## CCDF Funding Award

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Notice of Award Award # 2001AKCCDF FAIN# 2001AKCCDF Federal Award Date: December 13, 2019



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Object Class: 41.15

#### Financial Information

 
 Appropriation
 CAN
 Allotment
 Award this action
 Cumulative Grant Award to Date
 Document Number
 Funding Type

 75-20-1515
 2020,G996005
 \$803,146.00
 \$1.744,190.00
 G-2001AKCCDD
 Discretionary

#### Terms and Conditions

This grant award represents an obligation for the Child Care and Development Fund. Mandatory and Matching funds are subject to the requirements of Section 418 of Title IV-A of the Social Security Act as amended by Title VI of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996, P.L. 104-193, effective October 1, 1996 (CFDA 93.596). Discretionary funds are subject to the requirements of the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, as amended (CFDA 93.575).

This award is subject to the requirements listed in the terms and conditions. The use of Federal funds from this award constitutes the grantee's acceptance of the listed terms and conditions. The electronic copy of Terms and Conditions to support this program can be found on the website at: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/post-award-requirements

Funds included in this award will be made available through the DHHS Payment Management System (PMS). Questions pertaining to payments should be directed to DHHS Division of Payment Management, Post Office Box 6021, Rockville, MD 20852; telephone 1-877-614-5533.

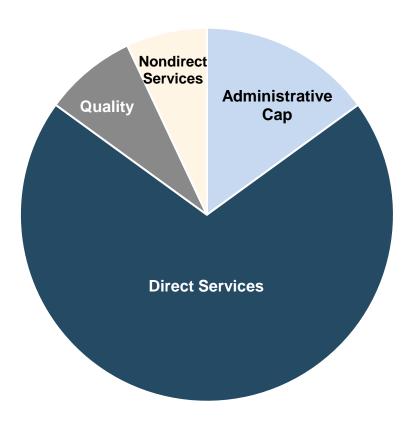
#### Remarks

Our funding is still under a Continuing Resolution through December 20, 2019, so we do not yet know what the final funding levels will be for the year.

As a result, these Notice of Grant Awards do not include allotment amounts. When available, complete allotment amounts will be posted on the Office of Child Care website and included on future Notice of Grant Awards.

<sup>\*</sup> This field is intended to be included in the standardized Notice of Award and will be displayed in subsequent quarters.

## **CCDF** Expenditure Requirements



#### Administrative Costs (all allocations)

- Organization-wide CCDF management and administration functions
- Maximum of 15% of all expended funds
- Excludes base amount

#### **Quality Spending (all allocations)**

- Allowable activities under the CCDF final rule designed to improve the quality and availability of child care
- 7% of all FY 2019 expenditures
- An additional 3% infant/toddler set-aside for medium- and large- allocations starting in FY 2019
- Excludes base amount

#### **Direct Services (medium and large allocations)**

- Child care services provided via grants or contracts, certificates (or vouchers), or tribally operated centers
- No less than 70% of remaining discretionary funds, after taking into account funds for quality activities and administrative costs

#### **Nondirect Services**

 Program costs that are not direct services to families, quality expenditures, or administrative costs

## **Quality Spending Requirements**

Quality Spending	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022 and ongoing
% Quality set-aside (all allocations)	4%	7%	7%	8%	8%	9%
% Infant/toddler set- aside (medium and large)	0%	0%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Total % quality (small)	4%	7%	7%	8%	8%	9%
Total % quality (medium and large)	4%	7%	10%	11%	11%	12%

Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.83 (2016).

## Obligation and Liquidation

- Obligate: To commit CCDF funds; for example, through a legally binding agreement, purchase order, contract, or subgrant
- Liquidate: To expend CCDF funds (that is, the payment of funds to a third party as a result of an obligation)

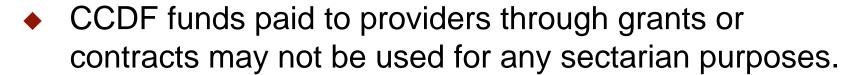
Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.2 (2016).

## Obligation and Liquidation Periods

	9/30/2020	9/30/2021	9/30/2022	9/30/2023
FY2018 Tribal Discretionary	Liquidate			
FY2018 Construction	Obligate/			
	Liquidate			
FY2019 Tribal Discretionary	Obligate	Liquidate		
FY2019 Construction		Obligate/		
		Liquidate		
FY2020 Tribal Discretionary		Obligate	Liquidate	
FY2020 Construction			Obligate/	
			Liquidate	
FY2020 CARES Act			Obligate	Liquidate
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(construction)				

## Restricted Use of CCDF Funds

- Applies to all allocations.
- Funds cannot be used for school tuition for children in grades 1 through 12.



- Funds provided through child care certificates may be expended for sectarian purposes.
- CCDF funds may not be used as the nonfederal share for other federal grant programs (unless explicitly authorized by statute).

Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.56 (2016).



## Construction and Renovation of Child Care Facilities

- AI/AN Lead Agencies may use CCDF funds to make payments for construction or major renovation costs for child care facilities.
- Al/AN Lead Agencies, including 102-477 grantees, must first request and receive approval before using CCDF funds for construction or major renovation
- Partial Application for Construction and M. Renovation are due July 1<sup>st</sup>!
- Requests shall be made in accordance with uniform procedures established by program instruction.



Source: Office of Child Care. (2020). *Procedures for requests from tribal lead agencies to use Child* (funds for construction or major renovation of child care facilities (CCDF-ACF-PI-2020-02). U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families. <a href="https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/ccdf-acf-pi-2020-02">https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/ccdf-acf-pi-2020-02</a>

Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.84 (2016).

### Other Funds

- Supplemental Disaster
   Relief funds
- CARES Act funding



## Program Budget and Effective Financial Management

- Having a comprehensive budget in place can be key to successful program operations because a realistic budget acts as the road map that guides the program throughout the year.
- Effective and efficient financial management systems are an essential part of successful CCDF program operations



## Fiscal Requirements

- Tribal Lead Agencies shall expend and account for CCDF funds in accordance with their own laws and procedures for expending and accounting for their own funds.
- Contracts that entail the expenditure of CCDF funds shall comply with the laws and procedures.
- Fiscal control and accounting procedures shall be sufficient to permit:
  - Preparation of required reports; and
  - The tracing of funds to a level of expenditure adequate to establish that funds have not been used in violation of the provisions of the Final Rule.



Source: Child Care and Development Fund, 45 C.F.R. § 98.67 (2016).

## Financial Reporting

- Annual financial reporting is required for all Tribal Lead Agencies, except those receiving CCDF funds through a P.L. 102–477 consolidated plan.
- Financial reporting is completed via ACF-696T: A Financial Reporting Form for CCDF Tribal Lead Agencies.
- Tribal Lead Agencies are required to use the ACF-696T to report expenditures for the tribal mandatory, discretionary, and construction and renovation funds issued under CCDF.



Source: Office of Child Care. (2019). Form ACF-696T—A financial reporting form for Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) tribal lead agencies (Program instruction CCDF-ACF-2019-08). U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families. https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/ccdf-acf-pi-2019-08

## **Please Join Us**

Fiscal On Demand Sessions				
Session 1:	Introduction to Tribal CCDF Financial Management			
Session 2:	Using Your CCDF Plan and Other Tools for Justification Purposes			
Session 3:	Demonstration of the Budgeting Template			
Session 4:	Demonstration of the Projecting CCDF Spending for Direct Services Tool			
Session 5:	Projection of Quality Expenditures and Budgeting Demonstration			

## **Technical Assistance Resources**

- Office of Child Care website (here: <a href="https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ">https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ</a>) for the following:
  - Tribal funding allocation amounts
  - Program Instructions
  - Information Memoranda
  - Reporting requirements
  - Policy interpretation guidance
  - Guidance for navigating the COVID-19 pandemic

### Resources

- American Indian and Alaska Native Child Care and Development Fund Guide to Financial Management, Grants Administration, and Program Accountability: <a href="https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/public/american\_indian">https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/public/american\_indian</a>
- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or "CARES Act": <u>https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/summary-of-child-care-provisions-of-cares-act</u>
- Appendix C. Sample Quality Activities from Tribal CCDF Administrators from the AI/AN CCDF: A Guide for New Administrators: <a href="https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/public/aian\_new\_administrators\_guide\_0.pdf">https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/public/aian\_new\_administrators\_guide\_0.pdf</a>
- Session Presentation Slides

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